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#### Attorney Docket No. 0942.4350002/RWE/AWL UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION First Inventor Christian E. GRUBER TRANSMITTAL See 1 in Addendum (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Express Mail Label No. Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents APPLICATION ELEMENTS ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Alexandria VA 22313-1450 Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) a. Computer Readable Form (CRF) 3. X Specification [Total Pages\_ (preferred arrangement set forth below) Descriptive title of the invention Specification Sequence Listing on: - Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention ii. X Paper - Brief Summary of the Invention c. X Statements verifying identity of above copies - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description **ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS** Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 4. X Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets \_ Power of 10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) Attorney 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets] English Translation Document (if applicable) a. Newly executed (original or copy) \_] Copies of IDS Information Disclosure 12. Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations b. X Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) 13. X Preliminary Amendment (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) Two (2) 14. X (Should be specifically itemized) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** 15. 🔲 Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). 16. 🔲 Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 6. X or its equivalent. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 17. X Other: See 2 in Addendum The name of the assignee is: Invitrogen Corporation 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: of prior application No.: 09/076,115 X Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) Art Unit: 1637 Tung, J. Prior application information: Prior application information: Examiner 1 ung, J. Art Unit: 163 / For CONTINUATION OF DIVISIONAL APPS only; The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS X Customer Number: 26111 OR Correspondence address below Name Address City State Zip Code Country Telephone Name (Print/Type) Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) Robert W. Esmond 32,893

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U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

(Continuation of Appl. No. 09/076,115; Filed: May 12, 1998)

Appl. No.: (To Be Assigned); Filed: Herewith

For: Methods for Production and Purification of Nucleic Acid Molecules

Inventors:

Christian E. GRUBER et al.

Our Ref:

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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17);
- 2. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/05);
- 3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

## Methods for Production and Purification of Nucleic Acid Molecules

and naming as inventors:

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the application consisting of:

- a. An Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
- b. A copy of the executed Declaration, as originally filed in U.S. Appl. No. 09/076,115;

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- c. A specification containing:
  - i. 36 pages of description prior to the claims (including a sequence listing on pages 35 and 36);
  - ii. <u>10</u> pages of claims (<u>53</u> claims);
  - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- d. 1 sheet of drawings: (Figure 1);
- 4. Request to Open New Disk File;
- 5. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3);
- 6. A Preliminary Amendment;
- 7. Two (2) return postcards; and
- 8. Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$1,366.00 to cover: \$770.00 Filing fee for patent application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16); and \$596.00 Excess claims fee.

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- 1. Methods for Production and Purification of Nucleic Acid Molecules
- 2. Request to Open New Disk File and Authorization Under 37CFR 1.136(a)(3)

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Respectfully submitted,

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